

Very Fast Delivery products of OMI

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Basics, Processing facility:



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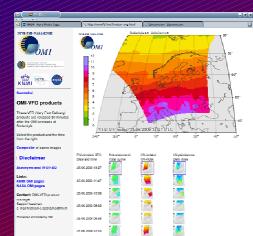
2.4 m dish antenna, receivers and control computer



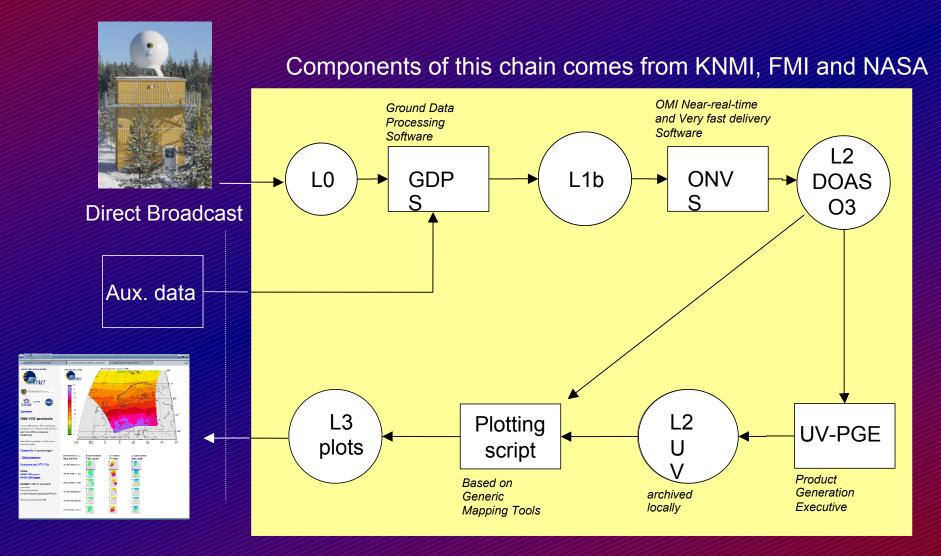
~700 km

ARC (Arctic Research Center)
Processing facility: Linux clusters
for processing, controlling
and archiving

FMI's www server



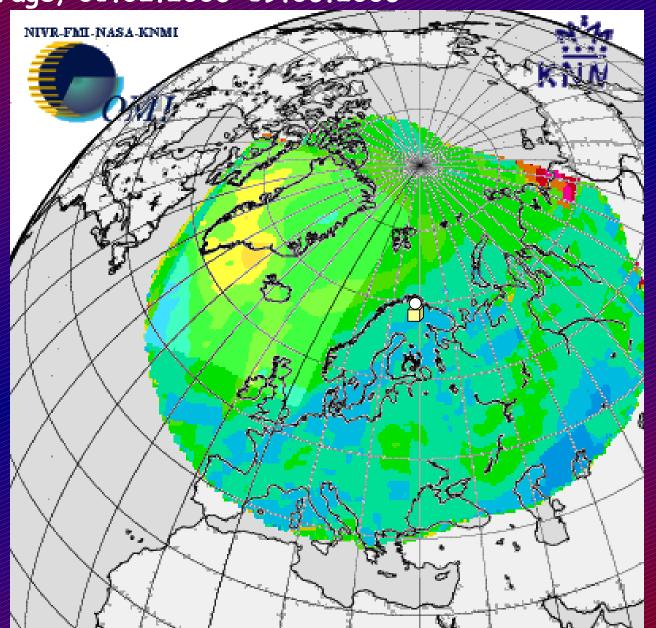
Basics, Processing chain:



15 min

What we can see with the Direct Broadcast?

Areal coverage, 01.02.2006-19.06.2006:





station

Areal coverage, overpasses 04.07.2006: Ground station 06:50 UTC Data sent to Groun 08:26 UTC station from the satellite memory 10:02 UTC 11:41 UTC

12.21 LITC

Consistency and temporal coverage, 19.06.2006: Sodankylä 317.2 Jokioinen 337.9 -500 450 400 500 -350 Sodankylä Ei mittausta / No measurement Jokioinen Ei mittausta / No measurement KNMI -300 450 -250 VFD total ozone 500 300 450 07:31 UTC 400 VFD total ozone: 19:06:2006:09:08 UTC 350 300 09:08 UTC 250 Sodankylä 324.2 Jokioinen 325.8 KNMI 10:45 UTC Sodankylä Ei mittausta / No measurement Jokioinen Ei mittausta / No measurement KNMI NIVR-FMI-NASA-KNMI -500 450

19:06:2006:12:24 UTC

-400 -350

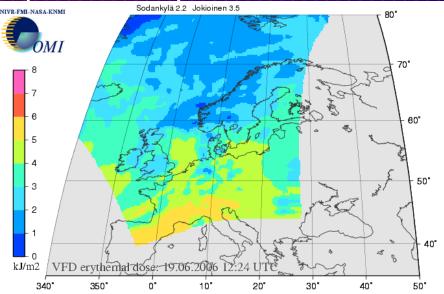
-300 -250

VFD total ozone: 19:06:2006 14:06 UTC

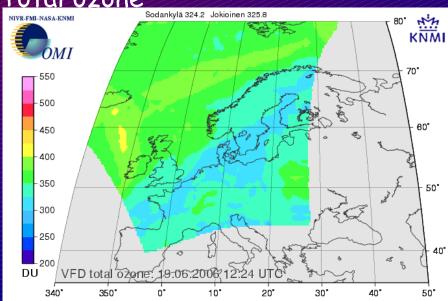
12:24 UTC

Products, 19.06.2006:

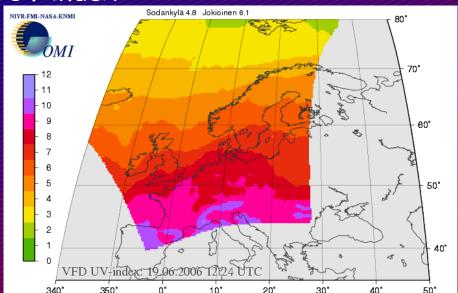




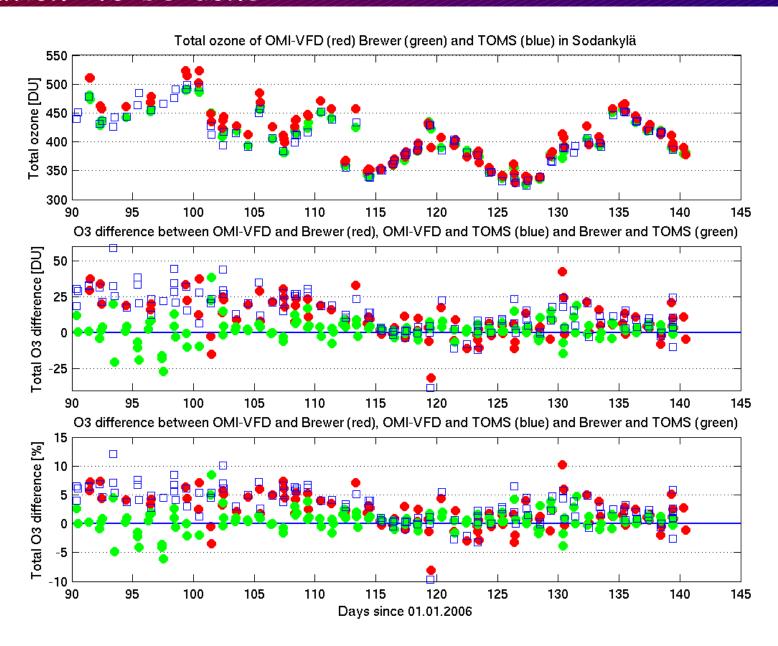
Total ozone



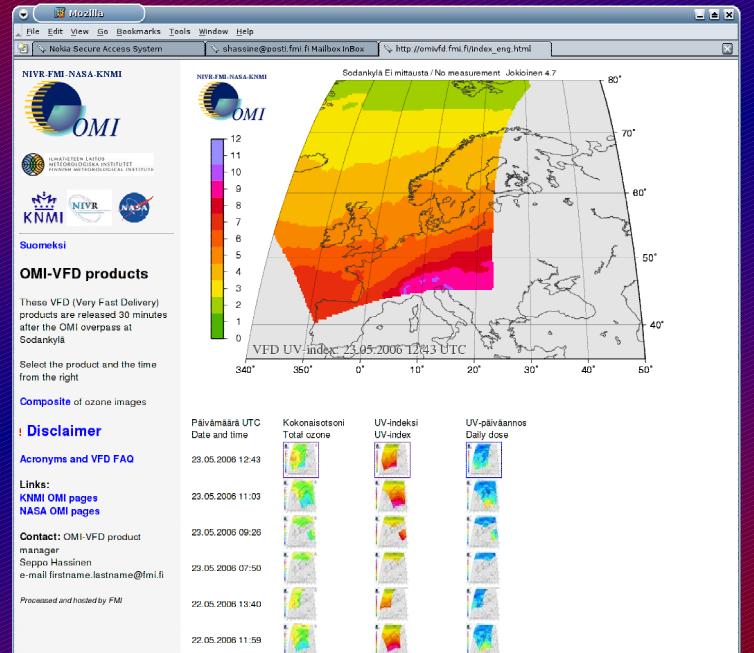
UV index



Validation: to be done



http://omivfd.fmi.fi/index_eng.html



Discussion

When to use DB?

- Interest in local conditions <- No global coverage
- Qualitative usage <- No scientific accuracy
- Fast availability, regular time coverage
- Fast decisions required
- Interests of general public

Discussion

Limitations of the Direct Broadcast?

- Configuration files and LU tables are not always up to date
- Dumping of the memory to the ground station
- Limited visibility of the satellite
- Smooth data flow required (every day, operational usage)
- Short processing time required <- fast computers?</p>

Discussion

Possible other targets of the DB?

- Man made environmental hazards
- Dust from deserts
- Pollution over heavily populated areas
- Volcanic emissions and plumes
- Forest fires
- Weather
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